

## SERMON ON THE COMMANDMENTS

### HOW MUCH DO YOU WEIGH? IS THE QUESTION

Thirty-Four Persons "Jump on the Scales" and Make Profession of Faith at Last Night's Service Bringing Total to 426

The Second Baptist Church boys' and girls' Cadets attended the evangelistic service at the tent last evening in a body, occupying seats in the center, directly in front of the pulpit. They proved themselves to be as fine a company of little singers as have been heard there during the meetings, and took part in one of the most pleasing incidents that has occurred at either of the services. When asked to name their favorite song they shouted out in chorus, "Brighten the Corner Where You Are." The big choir and audience sang it and the Cadets—well, they certainly did sing it, too, and then they sang another, as only a bright, happy lot of healthy youngsters could sing it, the words of which were:

Smithy, you're a gipsy!—You're all right!  
You've made Alexandria good and bright;  
You've got the crowd a-coming to the tent every night—  
Smithy, you're a gipsy, but you're all right!

Now Mr. Cole, the leader, you are in the swim,  
We love to hear the choir and then to hear you sing;  
And Miss Hoagland, at the piano, she can make it ring,  
And this little token to you we bring:

At the close of the song came other surprises, when little Misses Margaret Duncan and Pauline Mason, modestly walked upon the platform, and presented Rev. Smith with a beautiful bouquet of roses. A touch of pathos was given to the scene, when the evangelist tenderly placed his arms about the two little girls as he accepted their floral tribute, and those near by faintly discerned the tears of joy which welled up into his eyes as he turned to sit down.

The echoes of the cheers given by the audience had hardly died away before another little girl, Miss Aimie Jeffers, mounted the platform and presented Miss Laura Hoagland, the popular pianist, with a handsome box of Martha Washington chocolates. There were more cheers, following which came Master Leonard Triplett with another box, containing a handkerchief and necktie, gifts for Prof. Cole, who has won a big place in the hearts of the children—little and big.

#### Remarks by Judge Barley.

Judge Louis C. Barley made a short address in which he referred to the work accomplished during the past four weeks. He said, in part: "I have seen the good women of the city leaving their daily duties and their homes to attend the prayer meetings; have seen the busy man leave his office and go and pray with the sick; have seen those who were spiritually blind made to see; have seen boys and girls and men and women who have made sin their idol, carve it out of their lives and give themselves to Jesus Christ; have seen the busy men and women who had no room for Christ open their hearts and let in the sunshine; have seen an Episcopal priest leading a union prayer meeting; in fact have seen the whole atmosphere of the city changed, and these are only a few of the blessings vouchsafed to us during the past thirty days, all of which has been an inspiration to us to lift up the community and place it on a higher level. Brother Smith was invited here as our guest. He receives no compensation except what you may voluntarily contribute the last day he is here."

Envelopes were then distributed through the audience by the ushers for the free-will offering which will be taken up for Rev. Smith the last day of the services.

Rev. Kirkley of the Methodist Protestant Church offered the prayer of invocation, the men's chorus choir sang, "Just Outside the Door," after which came the sermon.

"Thou Art Weighed in the Balance and Found Wanting"

In the 27th verse of the fifth chapter of Daniel may be found the words above quoted, which formed the text upon which the sermon of the evangelist was based last evening. He said substantially as here given:

Number Decisions.

Previously reported	390
Yesterday afternoon	2
Last night	34
Total	426

"Have wanted to preach from this text for months but haven't felt that I could until now. Pray for me. I want to get the greatest number of people to make the great start."

"New York city, is a great city, but if you and I had lived in Babylon in Belshazzar's time we wouldn't think New York was so much. Babylon was a grand, a beautiful city, but I can't tell you all of its glories. Belshazzar gave a feast; all the lords with their wives and concubines were there and I imagine I can see the flashing jewels and hear the rustle of fine silken gowns, the dancing girls, the wine drinking, revelry and debauchery! and amid it all the hand which appeared and wrote upon the wall the sentence which startled and filled them with an awe-stricken panic!"

"And then they send for Daniel—just like you fools who send for the preacher when you're sick! Daniel came, but he could not be bought! And he told Belshazzar a few things, for you remember Belshazzar had taken the sacred vessels from the temple and desecrated them for his own vile use. Daniel told him his government would be divided and given to the Medes and Persians, and he had the words been spoken ere the soldiers of the invading army were upon them."

"You and I are weighed in God's balances! You may be a heavy-weight in your own or your wife's eyes, but in God's scales you fall far short! You'll find the weights in the 20th chapter of Exodus—Thou shalt not!"

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#### Notes and Announcements.

Union services will be held at the tent Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and a meeting for men only at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Included in the musical part of the program last evening was a duet by Prof. Cole and Miss Laura Hoagland which the large audience enjoyed greatly.

The Clarendon Baptist Church was represented at the service last night by a large delegation. "Jesus has you on his heart," was sung for their especial benefit.

A meeting for the children will be held at the tent tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon at 3 o'clock. Special seats will be reserved for the children but everybody is invited to attend. It will be the last meeting to be held for the children.

The editor of the Gazette wishes to pay what he feels to be a deserved compliment to the splendid choir which has delighted and charmed the audiences nightly during the series of meetings. Made up of voices from all around the town, so to speak, it is a choir to which a city much larger than Alexandria might point with pride, and it should be a matter of no small degree of satisfaction to the individual members to know that they have been able to lend their aid in imparting so much to each service in the way of inspiring, soul-stirring music. That their efforts are appreciated will be conceded by all. And just here let us ask, why let the choir go down? Why could not Alexandria have a permanent chorus choir? Let those in the musical circles of the city think the suggestion over. The nucleus, the material, is here for a magnificent choir which would continue to honor Alexandria and bring entertainment and pleasure of a highly elevating character to its people. Again, we say, think it over.

## Alexandria City News Condensed

Mr. John P. Agnew left today for Chester, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Valentine, Miss Anna Lynn and Messrs. Ashby Ward and Alexander, of this city were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ashby, in Manassas.

Mrs. Edward F. Campston, who has been spending the summer at the home of her brother, G. William Ramsay, 517 Cameron street, will return to her home in Washington tomorrow.

Judge and Mrs. Charles E. Nicol and family, Misses Julia, Mary Louise and Fannie Nicol and Mr. Charles E. Nicol, Jr., have returned to their home in north Washington street after spending the summer at Manassas.

Hon. John Garland Pollard, Attorney General of Virginia will address the voters of the Mt. Vernon district on the issues of the campaign at Potters Hill schoolhouse, Tuesday evening, October 2nd, at 7:30. Everybody is cordially invited, especially the ladies. It is expected that a Democratic Club, will be organized at this time.

There were 46 Alexandria homes open for prayer meeting this morning. Of these 45 have reported the attendance which totals 576. The meetings this morning are said to have been the most enthusiastic held so far. Some of the services lasted over an hour.

#### ARMOR PLANT ACTIVITIES

Alexandria's Business Men Arranging to Present City's Proposal.

Optimism, determination, painstaking thought and willingness to work these, and a great many other worthwhile qualities were apparent among the men composing the general committee of the Armor-Plant-to-Alexandria movement at the meeting held in the Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon. And because "by thunder" as one of the men remarked, "we're not going to let anybody else steal our thunder" the details of the offer, which will be presented to Secretary Daniels on Tuesday morning, October 10, are not going to be made public until after the hearing.

Henry K. Field presided over the meeting and Kenneth W. Ogden officiated as secretary. The preliminary brief had been prepared by H. B. Harlow, R. E. Knight, of the Retail Merchants Association, and James T. Preston, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

Additions to committees already named were James R. Caton, committee on statistics, and the newspaper men of Alexandria to that of publicity.

Present at the meeting were: Benjamin Abramson, Morton B. Apperson, Samuel Bendheim, W. W. Balenger, Capt. Albert Bryan, C. S. Taylor Burke, Leopold Ruben, J. Fred Birrell, James M. Duncan, Emanuel E. Downham, Louis N. Duffey, Michael T. Dwyer, H. K. Field, M. B. Harlow, Edwin B. Hard, John W. May, Judge C. E. Nicol, Mr. Preston, Mr. Knight, Wallace Lindsay, Mr. Ogden, R. L. Payne, William B. Smoot, sr., William A. Smoot, jr., Charles B. Swan, Dr. William M. Smith, Joseph E. Schwarzmann, C. F. W. Summers, R. A. Steele, E. F. Ticer, George E. Warfield, and R. B. Washington.

The men named, and others of the committee not present, yesterday, will accompany Representative C. C. Carlin, when he presents Alexandria's claim to Secretary Daniels.

Chairman Henry K. Field, this morning named the members of the committees on Finance and Alexandria Co-operation as he was empowered to do by the general committee yesterday afternoon. They are: Finance: C. S. Taylor Burke, R. L. Payne, Leopold Ruben, Gardner L. Booth and William A. Smoot, jr., Alexandria County Co-operation: J. M. Duncan, J. E. Schwarzmann, J. Fred Birrell, Wallace Lindsay and J. T. Preston.

FOR RENT—New brick house northwest corner Columbus and Queen streets; 8 large rooms and bath; electric lights, hot water heat, sewer connection. Apply at 203 north Columbus street. 228-3t.

Rev. and Mrs. W. G. Pendleton of Warrenton are spending two weeks with Mrs. Pendleton's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Cooper Dawson, at the Theological Seminary, near this city.

Mrs. John Cochran of The Plains, Va., has returned to her home after a visit to Miss Cora L. Cochran in King street. Miss Cochran's niece, Miss Julia Cochran who has been visiting here left Tuesday for Bryn Mawr College where she will be a student this session.

The Wilfred Robinson and John Johnson, mentioned in the Gazette yesterday as having been arrested, were two soldiers, and not the Wilfred Robinson and John Johnson residing on North Washington street, this city. The soldiers gave the names as stated, however, which seems to have been a rather singular coincidence.

At the meeting of the Common Council last Tuesday night Mr. Lawler introduced a resolution allowing five per cent. discount on the 25 cents on every hundred dollars which must be paid to the city treasurer by December 1st. The resolution was referred to the finance and general laws committees. Many tax-payers have erroneously supposed this meant the regular tax of 180 cents upon the one hundred dollars collected by the city and payable October 1st. The above is written to set the people right in the matter.

#### THE RAMBLER.

Paragraphic Points Picked up by Our Man on the Street.

I went into a small grocery to make a purchase the other day, hence the following:

"How much are they?" The stout over-dressed woman with hair that shied into my sensibility, eyed the little box of sardines dubiously yet haughtily as if purchasing a grand piano.

"Fifteen cents, Madam," replied the grocer who looked a little forlorn and who wore one of those patent smiles.

"But I want imported sardines," she retorted, a trifle indignantly, because it seemed that the grocer had taken her for some common sort of customer.

"Ah, Beg pardon, Madam," said the grocer. He put the little package of Maine herrings back in its place and took another can from another shelf. "These are what you want. They are thirty cents a can." He waited with what he conceived to be an intelligent look.

"Very well," retorted the grand dame with a shade of warmth in her voice. "You may wrap them up."

When she had gone the grocer put his tongue in his cheek. The smile evaporated when I asked him for a penny box of matches. I overheard him say to his young assistant man-of-all-work. "Whadda you know about that? The can she took was the same price, but it had another kind of label on it."

Dear, dear old game of bunk! Why will we insist, so many of us, in not being just natural. I'm a little ashamed to confess it, but I trailed the grand dame home. I passed her house yesterday again and I saw her at the door in a pair of squashy shoes, all run-down at the heels, and a calico wrapper that was, I must confess it, really very grimy. Aren't we the queerest sort of animals?—some of us.

#### POLICE COURT

(Justice H. B. Caton, presiding)

The following cases were disposed of this morning:

Charles Quayle charged with assaulting Frank Dixon was fined \$25.

Addie Butler, colored, charged with disorderly conduct was fined \$2.50.

A colored man charged with disorderly conduct, was dismissed, nobody appearing against him.

#### For Sale.

The choicest building sites around Alexandria, situated on Braddock Heights. Fine roads and accessible to the Electric Line. Prices moderate. It will pay you to look them over before deciding upon the location of your home. For particulars see your local Real Estate Agent or N. Lindsey and Co., Inc. 1-218-12t.

Miss Ella Fenton of Purcellville is visiting friends and relatives in this city.

Mrs. Robert Bison and Mrs. Ella Howard of Manassas were recent guests of Miss Lou Bison in this city.

Rev. E. L. Woodward of The Plains, Va., was a visitor Wednesday at the Episcopal High School, near Alexandria.

At St. Paul's Church on Sunday October 1, there will be Litany and Holy Communion in the morning at 9:45 o'clock and evening prayer at 5:00 o'clock.

Miss Lucy Uhler has returned to her home in north Washington street after visiting her cousins Mr. and Mrs. Charles Calvert Smoot, 3rd, at Virginia Beach.

Albert Smoot the youngest son of Noble S. Smith, fell in the school yard Tuesday and broke his right arm. He was taken to the Alexandria Hospital where it was set by Dr. Klipstein and Powell.

The services of Agudas Achin congregation in Sarepta Hall, this morning, were largely attended. This is the last of the local celebrations of the Jewish New Year, the observance of which will close for those of the Orthodox faith tonight at sunset. That of the members of the Reformed faith closed at the same hour last night.

#### WHAT WOULD YOU DO

If You Were Running Alexandria?

"What would you do if you were running Alexandria?"

The question didn't faze him a single second. His answer came like a flash:

"I'd DO the things I'm trying to do as a merchant, a police commissioner, and a private citizen."

The Gazette representative, who now spoke with Robert E. Knight for the first time had been prepared by what he had heard to meet a character out of the common mould. The sign on the windows of his establishment on King Street, which reads "We sell a little something of most everything," had prepared the G. R. for something unusual. Mr. Knight sat behind a desk in a corner of the big room on the second floor of his place. On the journey through the store a little something of most everything was encountered. The only things not in evidence were an elephant or two, some submarines and a flying machine. However, to be serious, this is what Mr. Knight would do if he were running Alexandria:

"First, I would do what I've been trying to do as a Police Commissioner—make Alexandria a clean town for my children and other people's children to live in. I'd do away with all disorderly places that help to ruin men and form within them habits that make them bad citizens."

Next I'd adopt a broad policy toward the outside world that would induce the coming here of business interests. I would go out and find men who want sites for their industries and bring them here at my own expense and offer them free ground and light taxes. I'd be prepared to make sacrifices in the beginning in order that I might profit in the end.

The first thing a business man proposing to come here would investigate would be the desirability of the proposed site. Then he would consider the taxation and the labor situation. I would see to it that these conditions were as nearly perfect as they could be. And I would have helped toward that end by doing what I alluded to first—by making a clean city.

You can tell that Mr. Knight is a "Daddy." Photographs on his desk, and other things, tell the story within a moment or two of your meeting him. He told the G. R. things about "Daddyism" that would make good reading, but one may not break con-

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BAKE SALE — Ladies of M. E. Church South, Del Ray, Saturday, September 30, in the City Market. 228-1t.

## ANNE LEE MEMORIAL HOME OPENS

### A NOTABLE ADDITION TO CITY'S ACTIVITIES

### Board of Governors Have Accomplished the Seemingly impossible in splendid Renovation of Old Herbert Family Home Lapsed Into Ruinous Condition

If for no other reason, one must feel grateful to the members of the Seventeenth, Va., Chapter, U. D. C., for the Colonial portico and entrance they have added to the old Herbert home. It is exceedingly beautiful. And as one puts one's hand to the old brass knocker, presented by Miss Mitty Herbert, the imagination is transported, willy-nilly, back to yesteryear. The entrance hall is in artistic keeping with the exterior. And the taste which characterizes the arrangement of the approaches to the Home, refurbished as a Memorial to Anne Lee, mother of Virginia's great soldier and gentleman, Robert E. Lee, is evident also in all those other divisions of the Home which have been completed.

In addition to the sentiment which has been turned to so splendidly practical a use, the Home is also a monument to the energy of the men and women who compose the Board of Governors.

Were it not for the fact that some of the upper rooms and basement are yet as they were when the Board purchased the property, one could not believe that it could have fallen into so bad a condition. In these unfinished rooms the plaster has fallen away from the ribs of lathes in great cakes. The floors are warped and great open spaces gape in them. It must indeed have been a depressing place to visit.

But now, what has happened? In the first place the Home today buzzes with life and animation. On a table in the large front room, designed to be used as a dining room, are many donations of groceries and other useful things. But for the weather, said Mrs. Lycurgus E. Uhler, Chairman of the Finance Committee, the receipts would have been much greater, but there is no time set for an end to the giving, and it is expected that tomorrow will be productive of a harvest of good things.

On the ground floor is a beautifully furnished reception room which is the gift also of the women of the Seventeenth Chapter who created the portico. A notable feature of this room as all others in the house is the exquisite color scheme. The effect is restful and soothing—just what it should be, in fact, in view of these who are to inhabit them.

On the second floor are six rooms. One of these was furnished by Mrs. Uhler as a Memorial to her mother and father, Susan Alice and Edward Stabler Hough. Leopold Ruben made another delightfully habitable in

#### LOST—AN ISLAND.

Goose Egg Island Disappears From The Potomac

Charles Dean has been given the work of making a new hull for the Dredge No. 3, belonging to the Columbia Granite and Dredging Company, which capsized in the mouth of the Oxon two weeks ago. When Mr. Dean has completed his work the machinery from the old hull just recently raised, will be transferred to the new one.

The Dredge is one of the oldest on the river and is a remnant of a fleet that worked on the Potomac twenty years ago. It has been recently used to get sand and gravel for the company which owns it, for building purposes in Washington. At the present time three other such machines are in operation across the river from Alexandria. As a result of this work a channel has been formed on the Maryland side of the river which is deep enough to allow heavy draught tug boats to approach within a few yards of shore. Should there ever be occasion to restore the ferry service between Alexandria and Maryland, it will be found that there is plenty of water. Old-time inhabitants of the city will remember the difficulty of getting the old "Virginia" across even though she was, what used to be termed a "flatie." It is interesting to note also that during the dredging "Goose Egg Island" has entirely disappeared.

memory of his parents, Amelia and Morris Ruben. Mrs. Harry Peyton Wilson, of Holland Hall, furnished still another of these rooms, as did also the members of Willard Union, W. C. T. U.

On this floor also are two magnificently appointed, white, gleaming bath-rooms of which the fittings were donated by William Desmond, in memoriam of his father and mother, Maurice and Honoria Desmond. The linoleum which covers the floor of these was given by Mrs. John M. Reed, and Mr. Swan, of Swan Brothers.

On this floor also is a large room furnished jointly by Mrs. Ben Wheatley and Mr. Frank Michelbach. The sixth room was made habitable by the Board of Governors.

On the main floor is a room which the Boy Scouts of Alexandria have made themselves responsible for. They have insisted, however, that it shall be occupied by an old man. There are several other rooms in the basement which it is hoped will be provided for by other philanthropic persons. If this is done it is contemplated to use these for the housing of old men also.

On the top floor there is also ample opportunity to help. One of the front rooms is being put into shape by Judge Louis C. Barley and the Rev. Edward F. Kirkley. Among other contributors is Mrs. Thomas Fisher who gave the fine rug which adds so greatly to the attractiveness of the dining room, in addition to household appliances, too numerous to mention.

As has been stated, the transformation of this historic old Home, sold to the Board of Managers for \$1,500, is little short of a miracle. Today, as it stands, with the expenditure of little more than the purchase price, its valuation can not be little less than \$10,000. It is a striking instance of a commingling of charity and commonsense.

Already some of the tenants have moved into what must prove a pleasant home. The matron or superintendent—which it is?—has also arrived. She is Miss Florence Arnold, who comes here from Elmira, N. Y., where she was in charge of the Florence Bullock Memorial Home.

It is announced by the Board of Managers, that in the near future the Gazette will publish a complete list of all those who have helped to make the Home possible whether by donations, labor, or other help.

#### PAPER CHANGES HANDS.

William F. Carne, of Alexandria, Purchases Fairfax Herald.

W. F. Carne, of Alexandria, has purchased the Fairfax Herald and will assume control of the same on Monday next. Mr. Carne's whole life has been devoted to newspaper work. He is the eldest son of the late William F. Carne, who over half a century ago was one of the editors of the Alexandria Gazette.

#### NOTICE TO GAS CONSUMERS

Gas bills for quarter ending Sept. 1, 1916, having been delivered; this is to notify all gas consumers that all bills paid on or before Oct. 1, 1916, will be entitled to a discount of 30 cents per 1000 cubic feet. After that date no discount will be allowed and all delinquents will be required to make an early settlement.

By order of committee on Light.

J. B. WALLER.  
CLERK OF GAS.

When in Alexandria, visit the Rammel Cafe, North Royal Street.